Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

(Previously Presented) A dry powder formulation for inhalation, comprising active
particles and carrier particles for supporting the active particles, the formulation-further
comprising magnesium stearate in an amount of at least 0.5% by weight of the formulation,
wherein the particles of magnesium stearate are disposed on the surface of the carrier particles to
provide a surface coverage of less than 5% on the carrier particles.

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- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 1, wherein the magnesium stearate is present in an amount of from 0.5 to 2% by weight.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 1, wherein the magnesium stearate is present in an amount of from 0.6 to 1% by weight.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 1, wherein the active particles comprise an active substance selected from the group consisting of beta-mimetics_anticholinergics, corticosteroids, leukotrienantagonists, phosphodiesterase inhibitors, PAF-inhibitors, potassium channel openers, analgesics, potency agents, macromolecules, pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof and mixtures thereof.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 1, wherein the carrier particles comprise a carrier material selected from monosaccharides, disaccharides, sugar alcohols, polylactic acid, or mixtures thereof.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 6, wherein the carrier is lactose mono-hydrate.

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- 12. (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the beta-mimetic is selected from the group consisting of Levalbuterol, Terbutalin, Reproterol, Salbutamol, Salmeterol, Formoterol, Fenoterol, Clenbuterol, Bambuterol, Tulobuterol, Broxaterol, Epinephrin, Isoprenaline and Hexoprenaline.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the anticholinergic is selected from the group consisting of Tiotropium, Ipratropium, Oxitropium and Glycopyrronium.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the corticosteroid is selected from the group consisting of Butixocart, Rofleponide, Budesonide, Ciclosenide, Mometasone, Fluticasone, Beclomethasone, Loteprednol and Triamcinolone.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the leukotrienantagonist is selected from the group consisting of Andolast, Iralukast, Pranlukast, Imitrodast. Seratrodast, Zileuton, Zafirlukast and Montelukast.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the phosphodiesterase-inhibitor is selected from Filaminast or Piclamilast.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the
 PAF-inhibitor is selected from the group consisting of Apafant, Forapafant and Israpafant.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the potassium channel opener is selected from Amiloride or Furosemide.

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 (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the analgesic is selected from the group consisting of Morphine, Fentanyl, Pentazocine, Buprenorphine, Pethidine, Tilidine, Methadone and Heroin.

- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the
 potency agent is selected from the group consisting of Sildenafil, Alprostadil and Phentolamine.
- 21. (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 5, wherein the macromolecule is selected from the group consisting of proteins, peptides, oligopeptides, polypeptides, pol
- 22. (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 6, wherein the monosaccharide or disaccharide is selected from the group consisting of glucose, lactose monohydrate, sucrose, trehalose and mixtures thereof.
- (Previously Presented) The dry powder formulation according to claim 6, wherein the sugar alcohol is selected from mannitol, xylitol, or a mixture thereof.